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CAUSE NO. 42485		

IN THE MATTER OF THE VERIFIED

PETITION OF METRO TELECONNECT

COMPANIES, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE

OF TERRITORIAL AUTHORITY TO

PROVIDE FACILITIES-BASED LOCAL

EXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS

SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE STATE

OF INDIANA, AND FOR AN ORDER BY

THE INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY

COMMISSION DECLINING TO EXERCISE

ITS JURISDICTION, IN WHOLE OR IN PART,

TO THE FULLEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY

THE LAW, PURSUANT TO IND. CODE 8-1-2.6

BY THE COMMISSION:

Lorraine Hitz-Bradley, Administrative Law Judge

You are hereby notified that on this date the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("Commission") has caused the following entry to be made:

On July 24, 2003, Metro Teleconnect Companies, Inc. ("Petitioner") filed its Petition with the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission for authority to provide facilities-based local exchange services to the public throughout the State of Indiana, and for an order by the Commission declining to exercise its jurisdiction, in whole or in part, to the fullest extent allowed by law, pursuant to I.C. 8-1-2.6.

Pursuant to notice and as provided for in 170 LA.C. 1-1.1-15, a Prehearing Conference in this Cause was held in Room E306 of the Indiana Government Center South, Indianapolis, Indiana at 10:00 a.m., September 16, 2003. The Petitioner and the Office of Utility Consumer Counselor ("Public") appeared and participated at the Prehearing Conference.

On October 9, 2003, the Presiding Officer issued a docket entry regarding the business of Petitioner and its transactions with Annox, Inc., and continued the evidentiary hearing until Monday, January 6, 2004 at 9:30 a.m. in Room E306 of the Commission.

On October 15, 2003, the Public filed its *Motion for Extension of Time to Prefile Testimony*, citing as grounds its need to further explore the issues referenced in the October 9th docket entry. The Public also requested a re-setting of the balance of the procedural schedule, consistent with the revised hearing date.

The Presiding Officer, being duly advised in the premises, hereby finds as follows:

The Public's Motion is hereby GRANTED. The procedural schedule is amended as follows:

The Public shall file its testimony on or before December 17, 2003. The Petitioner shall prefile its rebuttal on or before December 30, 2003. The parties are advised that the procedural schedule may need to be adjusted further, contingent on the status of the investigation pending in Cause Number 42521, regarding Annox, Inc.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

corraine Hitz-Bradley, Administrative Law Judge

Date

Nancy E. Manley, Secretary to the Commission